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The TATLER.

By *Iſaac Bickerſtaff* Eſq;

Omnibus invideas, Zoile, nemo tibi. Martial.

From *Tueſday September* 19. to *Thurſday September* 21. 1710.

From my own Apartment, September 20.

IT is the Buſineſs of Reaſon and Philoſophy to ſooth and allay the Paſſions of the Mind, or turn them to a vigorous Proſecution of what is dictated by the Underſtanding. In Order to this good End, I would keep a watchful Eye upon the growing Inclinations of Youth, and be particularly careful to prevent their indulging themſelves in ſuch Sentiments as may imbitter their more advanced Age. I have now under Cure a young Gentleman who lately communicated to me that he was of all Men living the moſt miſerably envious. I deſired the Circumſtances of his Diſtemper; upon which, with a Sigh that would have moved the moſt inhumane Breaſt, 'Mr. *Bickerſtaff*, ſaid he, I am Nephew to a Gentleman of a very great Eſtate, to whoſe Favour 'I have a Couſin that has equal Pretenſions with 'my ſelf. This Kinſman of mine is a young Man 'of the higheſt Merit imaginable, and has a Mind 'ſo tender, and ſo generous, that I can obſerve 'he returns my Envy with Pity. He makes me 'upon all Occaſions the moſt obliging Condeſcenſions: And I cannot but take Notice of the 'Concern he is in to ſee my Life blaſted with this 'racking Paſſion, though it is againſt himſelf. In 'the Preſence of my Unkle, when I am in the 'Room, he never ſpeaks ſo well as he is capable 'of, but always lowers his Talents and Accompliſhments out of Regard to me. What I beg 'of you, dear Sir, is to inſtruct me how to love 'him, as I know he is willing to do me: And I 'beſeech you, if poſſible, to ſet my Heart right, 'that it may no longer be tormented where it 'ſhould be pleaſed, or hate a Man whom I cannot 'but approve.

The Patient gave me this Account with ſuch Candour and Openneſs, that I conceived immediate Hopes of his Cure; becauſe in Diſeaſes of the Mind, the Perſon affected is half recovered when he is ſenſible of his Diſtemper. Sir, ſaid I, the Acknowledgment of your Kinſman's Merit is a very hopeful Symptom; for it is the Nature of Perſons afflicted with this Evil, when they are incurable, to pretend a Contempt of the Perſon envied, if they are taxed with that Weakneſs. A Man who is really envious will not allow he is ſo; but upon ſuch an Accuſation is tormented with the Reflection, that to envy a Man is to allow him your Superior. But in your Caſe, when you examine the Bottom of your Heart, I am apt to think it is Avarice, which you miſtake for Envy. Were it not that you have both Expectations from the ſame Man, you would look upon your Couſin's Accompliſhments with Pleaſure. You that now conſider him as an Obſtacle to your Intereſt, would then behold him as an Ornament to your Family. I obſerved my Patient upon this Occaſion recover himſelf in ſome Meaſure; and he owned to me, that he hoped it was as I imagined; for that in all Places but where he was his Rival, he had Pleaſure in his Company. This was the firſt Diſcourſe we had upon this Malady; and I do not doubt but, after Two or Three more, I ſhall by juſt Degrees ſoften his Envy into Emulation.

Such an Envy as I have here deſcribed, may poſſibly creep into an ingenious Mind; but the Envy which makes a Man uneaſy to himſelf and others, is a certain Diſtortion and Perverſeneſs of Temper, that renders him unwilling to be pleaſed with any Thing without him that has either Beauty or Perfection in it. I look upon it as a Diſtemper in the Mind, (which I know no Moraliſt that has deſcribed in this Light) when a Man cannot diſcern any Thing which another is Maſter of that is agreeable. For which Reaſon, I look upon the good-natured Man to be endowed with a certain diſcerning Faculty which the Envious are altogether deprived of. Shallow Wits, ſuperficial Criticks, and conceited Fops, are with me ſo many blind Men in Reſpect of Excellencies. They can behold nothing but Faults and Blemiſhes, and indeed ſee nothing that is worth ſeeing. Show them a Poem, it is Stuff; a Picture, it is Daubing: They find nothing in Architecture that is not Irregular, or in Muſick that is not out of Tune. Theſe Men ſhould conſider, that it is their Envy which deforms every Thing, and that the

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Uglineſs is not in the Object, but in the Eye. And as for nobler Minds, whoſe Merits are either not diſcovered, or are miſrepreſented by the envious Part of Mankind, they ſhould rather conſider their Defamers with Pity than Indignation. A Man cannot have an Idea of Perfection in another, which he was never ſenſible of in himſelf. Mr. *Lock* tells us, that upon asking a blind Man what he thought Scarlet was, he anſwered, that he believed it was like the Sound of a Trumpet. He was forced to form his Conceptions of Idea's which he had not, by thoſe which he had. In the ſame Manner, ask an envious Man what he thinks of Virtue, he will call it Deſign; what of Good-nature, and he will term it Dulneſs. The Difference is, that as the Perſon before-mentioned was born blind, your envious Men have contracted the Diſtemper themſelves, and are troubled with a Sort of an acquired Blindneſs. Thus the Devil in *Milton*, though born an Angel of Light, could ſee nothing to pleaſe him even in Paradiſe, and hated our Firſt Parents tho' in their State of Innocence.

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ROBERT More, Writing-Maſter, who for ſeveral Years ſucceeded Col. Ayres in St. Paul's Church-yard, is removed to his former Houſe and Buſineſs at the Golden Pen in Caſtle-ſtreet near the Mews, Charing-Croſs; where are taught, Writing, Arithmetick, Merchants Accounts, Short Hand, and Youth boarded or taught abroad. There likewiſe are ſold, The Writing-Maſter's Aſſiſtant, and a Striking Copy-Book, by the Author.

FOR Sale by the Candle, to Morrow, being the 22d Inſtant, at Lloyd's Coffee-houſe in Lombard ſtreet, at Six a Clock in the Afternoon (only 1 Cask in a Lot) 23 Pipes of new excellent White Carcavalla, and 15 Pipes of new Red Lisbon Wines, neat and entire, lately landed, now in a Vault under Mr. Sam. Tyley's, Packer, in the Gateway of the Still-yard in Thames-ſtreet; and 10 Buts of very good Salo Wines, deep, bright and ſtrong, in a Cellar over-againſt the Caſtle in Mark-lane, between Tower-ſtreet and Fenchurch-ſtreet. To be ſeen and taſted this Day from 7 to 1, and from 2 to 6, and all to Morrow till the Time of Sale. To be ſold by T. Tomkins, Broker, in Seething-lane, between Tower-ſtreet and Crouched-Fryars.

A Collection of Pictures, and other Curioſities, belonging to the ingenious Dr. Wall, deceaſed, will be ſold by Auction at his late Dwelling-houſe, the two White Poſts in Frith-ſtreet, St. Anne's, Soho, to Morrow the 22d Inſtant, the Sale beginning at Ten in the Forenoon. The Pictures, &c. may be ſeen, and Catalogues had gratis, at the Place of Sale.

MRs. Malcher, at the White Bear in Prince's-ſtreet, Red Lion-Square, her Sale of Plate to be diſpoſed of by Way of Lots at 6 d. each Ticket, will be drawn on Thurſday the 28th inſtant at the Blue-Boar Inn in Holborn. Until which Time Tickets will be delivered out at Mrs. Malcher's above-mentioned, at Mr. Hart's, Goldſmith, at the Crown againſt Bromley-ſtreet, Holborn; Mr. Robinſon's, Haberdaſher of Hats, in Exchange-Alley, Cornhil; Mrs. Clint's, Tallow-Chandler, in Whale-Bone-Court, in Thregmorton-ſtreet; and at Sam's Coffe-houſe, Cuſtom-houſe. Note, There are but 9 Blanks to a Prize. The higheſt Prize 10 l. the loweſt 2 s.

THE niceſt Spaniſh Blacking for Gentlemen's Shoes ever invented or uſed, making them look like new, neither daubing the Hands or Stockings, nor having the noiſom Stink of Size. All that uſe it admire it. Sold only at Mr. Hannam's, a Toyſhop, at the Three Angels near Foſter-Lane in Cheapſide, at 1 s. 6 d. a Pot.

ORCHESOGRAPHY; or the Art of Dancing by Characters; is taught after an eaſie Method, by Thomas Boſely, Maſter in the Art of Dancing, at Mr. Delawar's School in Middleſex-Court in Bartholomew-Cloſe.

MR. Stocton's Sale of Jewels, Plate, &c. at the Bell in Henrietta ſtreet, Covent-Garden, will be drawn on Michaelmas-Day in the Great Room at the Duke of Marlborough's Head in Fleet-ſtreet, by Pariſh Boys, and out of Wheels. Any Gentlemen or Ladies concerned may have the Liberty of ſeeing the Prizes mix'd with the Blanks, and ſealing up the Wheels. The remaining Tickets are to be diſpoſed of at 2 s. each, at the ſaid Mr. Stocton's, at Mr. Amſon's at the Gold Ring the Corner of Salisbury-Court in Fleet-ſtreet, at Mr. Marriot's Houſe in New-ſtreet, Fetter-lane, and at Mr. Marriot's at the White Hart in the Poultry. Note, This Sale is drawn at the Duke of Marlborough's Head at the Requeſt of ſeveral Adventurers, and for their Convenience.

MOrning-Gowns for Men and Women, of Silk, Stuffs, and Callicoe's (being the Goods of Perſons that failed) which were to be diſpoſed of at the Olive-Tree and Still, are now to be ſold at the Golden Sugar-Loaf up one Pair of Stairs, over-againſt the Horſe at Charing-Croſs; with a freſh Parcel at very low Rates, the Price being ſet on each Gown.

LOſt out of a Houſe in Mancheſter-Court laſt Week, a Pair of Diamond Ear-Rings, with a ſingle Drop compoſed of ſmall Sparks, a ſmall Pearl Necklace, 3 Silver Tea Spoons marked with an F, One large Silver Spoon, the Mark unknown, a Black and White Stuff Gown lined with Black Silk, &c. If offered to Pawn or Sale, ſtop them and the Perſons, and you ſhall receive the Reward of Five Guinea's, and proportionable for any Part, of Mr. Edward Milward, Porter, at the Exchequer-Gate.

A Sale of Plate and Goods at Mrs. Love's, a Milliner, next Door to the Crown in Red-lion-ſtreet, Holborn. All Prizes and no Blanks, at 1 s. per Ticket. The Prizes are, A Silver Punch-Bowl and Ladle, a Silver Milk-pot, Can, Porringer, Spoons, Tea-Spoons, Gold Rings, Silver Patch Boxes, Silver Nutmeg-graters, &c. All that loſe to have Goods to the Value of 10 d. To be drawn the 26th Inſtant. A Sixpenny Sale of Plate and Goods will be drawn the Tueſday following. The higheſt Prize 10 l.

MRs. Fardell, Milliner, the Corner Houſe of Silver-ſtreet in Bloomsbury-market, her Sale of Goods and Plate is to be drawn on the 28th Inſtant, at the Market-Houſe in Bloomsbury. Some few Tickets are to be diſpoſed of till then.

TWenty Pounds for Sixpence, at Ms. Ogle's againſt Mountague-houſe; a Catalogue of Plate, and other valuable Goods, the higheſt Prize a Silver Tea-kettle, Lamp, and Tea-pot, Value 20 l. ſeveral of 5 l. 3 l. 2 l. 1 l. the loweſt Prize 5 s. Tickets to be delivered, at 6 d. each Ticket, at Mrs. Ogle's, where the Goods may be ſeen to the Satisfaction of all People; alſo at Mr. Sedgwick's, Hair-Cutter, in the Strand, at Mr. Green's, a Hatter, in the Borough of Southwark, at Joe's Coffee-houſe in Hatton-Garden, at the Widow Hobs's Bake-houſe in Chicheſter-Rents in Chancery-lane, at Mr. Ralf's, at the Black-Lion in Shoemakers-Row near Aldgate. All People are deſired to be ſpeedy in taking out Tickets, it being to be drawn in a Fortnight.

THE Land-Adventure; 400 l. for 5 s. or the Sale of a Freehold-Eſtate, ſituate at Graveſend and Trotiſcliffe, in the County of Kent, and 531 l. 10 s. in ready Money, by way of Parcels, 19 Blanks to 1 Parcel; the Value of the whole Eſtate and Money being 1761 l. 10 s. The Proprietors having deliver'd a conſiderable Number of Tickets, do hereby give Notice, That the ſaid Sale, if full, ſhall be drawn on the 27th Inſtant, at Plaiſterers-hall near Cheapſide, in the faireſt Manner, out of two Wheels, and by two Pariſh Boys. There being ſome Tickets yet undiſpoſed of, may be had, at 5 s. each (with Propoſals at large) at Capt. Henſhaw's within Biſhopſgate; Mr. Wote's, a Barber, Duke's-place; Mr. Powell's, at the Bee-hive on St. Mary-hill, near Billingſgate; Mr. Resbuy's, Bookſeller, Winchester-ſtreet; the Royal-Hoſpital Coffee houſe in Greenwich; the White-Lion at Graveſend; the Bell Coffee-houſe in King-ſtreet, Weſtminſter; Bird's Coffee-houſe in the Palace-yard; and Bamer's Coffee-houſe near the Royal-Exchange.

ONE Hundred Pounds for Half a Crown: Or, Propoſals for ſeveral Prizes, by Mr. William Morris; a fine Diamond Croſs ſet tranſparent with a Button all Brilliants, Plate, Atlaſſes, one Silk, ſix Silk Night-Gowns, and ſeveral other valuable Things. It's propoſed to deliver out by Subſcription Two Thouſand Five Hundred Tickets, in which there are 177 Prizes, the higheſt 100 l. the loweſt 11 s. and 13 Blanks to a Prize. Tickets to be had at Mr. Pinkney's, a Milliner, in Taviſtock-ſtreet, next to the Cheeſemonger's in Southampton-ſtreet in Bedford-Buildings; Mr. Andrews's, Glover, at the Ball and Glove in Charles-court in the Strand, near York-Buildings; Mr. Green's in Cary-lane, near Goldſmith's-hall; Mr. Barnard's, Gloveſeller, at Mr. Tompion's, the Corner of Water-lane, Fleet-ſtreet; Mr. Stokoe's, Bookſeller, at the Key and Bible againſt the Mews-gate, Charing-Croſs. Note, The Goods are to be ſeen at Mr. Andrews's aforeſaid, and to be drawn on Michaelmas-Day next, out of two Wheels by two Pariſh Boys, at the Great Room in York-Buildings: And if not drawn, the Money to be returned.